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ELECTED PRESIDENT

Leslie Parker, of Owosso, was today named president of the Mich. Association of Retail Monument Dealers. He was advanced from the office of the first vice president. The convention closed today and Owosso was awarded the meeting for 1921.

WATSON-HARRIS

Saturday afternoon at the Baptist parsonage, Clarence Harris and Miss Winifred May Watson, both of Owosso, were married by Rev. H. A. Waite. The young couple were unattended. Mr. Harris is employed at the Owosso Boiler works as a mechanic. The newly wedded couple will reside in Owosso.

M. F. GROVE APPOINTED CITY ASSESSOR

M. F. Grove, for three years city treasurer, and a week ago appointed city clerk by the city commission, last night was named city assessor to succeed E. S. Brewer, who declined to serve again. At the same time the commission increased the pay of the assessor from \$1,000 to \$1,650 per year and put the office on the full time basis.

OWOSSO BOYS AND GIRLS WIN

The beginning of the Owosso high school's active participation in the athletic contents of the Saginaw Valley Interscholastic Athletic association, was signaled by victories Friday night at Saginaw for the Owosso boys' and girls' basketball teams over the teams representing Arthur Hill high school. The Owosso boys took their game by a score of 23 to 11. The Owosso girls defeated the Arthur Hill girls 29 to 24, showing exceptionally good team work.

COMMENDS BERGES REJECTION

Patterson-Dawson post, No. 57, American Legion, Monday commended by resolution, the action of congress in voting for the second time to deny Victor Berger, Milwaukee Socialist, the seat in congress to which he had been twice elected.

The resolution, adopted unanimously, and with scarcely any discussion, instructed the post adjutant to write to Congressman Fordney and express to him and the other members of the house, the gratitude of the post for its action in refusing to "seat a traitor."

BUYS BLAIR SPORTING GOODS HOUSE

L. W. Lader, who comes here from Detroit and will move his family to Owosso, as soon as he can find a suitable place of residence, has purchased and taken possession of the sporting goods business of M. F. Blair. The business was established by Mr. Blair's father, D. F. Blair, in 1865 and has been conducted successfully in its present location on West Main street by M. E. Blair the last 14 years. Mr. Blair will give his time to the battery business of Gaylord & Blair.

FOOTBALL TEAM BANQUET

Fifteen members of the foot ball team of the Owosso high school, the men of the faculty and members of the board of education met at the Colonial ten room January 8 and enjoyed a fine chicken supper. At the conclusion of the repast Delmar Hurd, TWO

who by reason of his faithful efforts and hard work during the past season well merited the honor, was elected captain for this year. Supt. O. H. Voelker acted as toastmaster and toasts were responded to by the retiring captain, Homer Coppernal, Captain Hurd, Coach Smith, C. C. Tuck, L. L. Conn, F. S. Wilson and R. S. Linton.

SHIAWASSEE MUTUAL RE-ELECTS OLD OFFICERS

The Shiawassee County Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co., at its annual meeting January 8, held in the court room, voted to pay Joseph Coe, of Bennington, \$750 "for services rendered" in saving a large barn on the Charles Bush farm, last fall, from being destroyed by fire.

In saving the barn Coe sustained a loss of \$1500 to his threshing separator.

All officers of the company were re-elected for the coming year. They are: President—Frank H. Rush, Owosso.

Vice President—W. J. McCollough, Shiawassee township.

Treasurer—G. L. Taylor, Owosso.

Secretary—Fred Miller, Vernon.

Director—W. H. Launstein, Owosso.

Mr. McCollough spoke feelingly of the services rendered by the late Z. D. Hurrell, for many years secretary of the company, and on his motion the secretary was instructed to draft suitable resolutions on Mr. Hurrell's death, to be spread on the records. A copy will also be sent to the family of the deceased.

The company is in a fine condition with a constantly increasing business and is most excellently managed.

EYES FOR \$5,000

Michael Griffith, of Owosso, has begun suit by summons for \$5,000 against Frank Ketcham of Owosso. His attorneys are N. B. Walsh and George J. Dwyer.

Griffith is a watchman at the Ann Arbor railroad crossing on South Washington street in Owosso. He claims that on a recent date, while he was standing in the middle of the street to signal vehicles of the coming of a train, Ketcham approached. He was going at such a high rate of speed, Griffith claims, that he couldn't stop before reaching the track and it became necessary for him to choose between running into the train or running into Griffith. He ran into Griffith and the latter sustained serious injuries.

COAL MINE TO BE SOLD ON MORTGAGE

The property of the Liberty Coal Co., which operates the New Haven coal mines, has been seized by Sheriff Sproule and will be sold on January 21 to satisfy a chattel mortgage for \$10,000. W. H. Van Sice, acting as trustee for the three Owosso banks and the Owosso Sugar Co., who hold the mortgage, has foreclosed the mortgage and the seizure of the mines is the result.

The money was loaned to the company a year ago last October, by the banks and the sugar company, under a guarantee of 25 Owosso business men. The new company had just been formed and the money was advanced for the purpose of buying new machinery to increase the output of the mine. The Chamber of Commerce was instrumental in securing the guarantee of the payment of the loan, to the business men.

The mine has never attained the output predicted by its new owners and for some time past has been operating in an intermittent manner. Some time ago a chamber of commerce committee was appointed to look into the status of the concern to determine what action should be taken, in view of the fact that the company was in default on the contract.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS ENTERTAIN SAGINAW BROTHERS

Owosso Council, United Commercial Travelers "Saturday night was host to Saginaw council at a banquet and general jollification. About 25 members of the Saginaw council made the trip here.

The Saginaw men were met at the train by their Owosso brothers, with machines and taken to Connor's cafe where a delicious chicken pie supper was served. Following the repast, the traveling men adjourned to the lodge rooms of the Owosso council, in the G. A. R. hall, where Saginaw council conferred the initiatory degree on five candidates for Owosso council, and speaking was enjoyed.

Two officials of the state organization, C. C. Starkweather, grand senior counselor, of Detroit and H. D. Ranney, grand junior counselor of Saginaw and L. J. Birch, of Detroit, state organizer, were also present. These three officials responded to toasts as did George Cook, senior counselor of the Saginaw council. James B. McIntosh of this city acted as toastmaster.

The Owosso council now has 65 members and is thriving.

PLAN RECLAMATION OF FOUR MILLION ACRES

East Lansing, Jan. 14.—The reclamation and profitable use of Michigan's four million acres of muck and peat lands will be the chief consideration of the members of the Michigan Muck Farmers Association when they gather for their annual conference next month. The meeting will be held in connection with Farmers' Week at the Michigan Agricultural College, Feb. 2-6.

Prof. F. J. Alway, Chief of the Department of Soils at Minnesota University, a practical muck farmer, and supervisor of three experiment stations in Minnesota, has been scheduled for two speeches during the meeting. Professor Alway will take up "The Development of Muck Land Farming in Europe," and "The Composition and Fertilizer Treatment of Muck Soils." There will also be short talks and a "question box" handed by practical muck farmers themselves.

"It is hoped that all who are interested in reclamation of peat and muck lands will attend this conference," says Ezra Lovin, Secretary of the Michigan Muck Farmers Association and Specialist in Muck Farm Management at the Michigan Agricultural College, under whose direction the coming meeting is being planned. "A particular effort will be made to take up individual problems and give advice concerning them."

Mr. Eli Merriman, of Deckerville, is president of the Muck Farmers Association, while C. E. Downing, of Vermontville, serves as vice-president. Detailed programs of the meeting will be mailed out by Mr. Lovin on request.

CIRCUIT COURT

Following a brief session of circuit court Tuesday morning, an adjournment was taken until next Monday morning, when the jury will report and jury cases will be taken up. The only business done Tuesday morning was a decree taken by Attorney Walter Bush for S. B. Lyman and wife of Corunna, vacating the streets and alleys in the addition platted in Corunna many years ago but never built up.

Judge Collins has signed a decree of divorce in the case of Vera vs. Henry Buckle of Owosso.

George Prevost of Owosso, who Friday pleaded guilty in circuit court to a charge of larceny from the dwelling of John Kimball in Caledonia township, has admitted to the officers that it was he who entered the home of Clarence Mead at 303 East Ridge street last November and stole clothing and tools valued at about \$100. Edgar Almus, of Owosso, who was implicated with Prevost in the Kimball robbery, was sentenced Friday afternoon to from 18 months to five years, in Ionia reformatory. The court recommended two years. Almus was on parole after pleading guilty a year ago to the theft of some furs, and was sentenced for this theft.

George Kovasick and Fred Trueburg, held on a charge of violation of the prohibition law by making corn whiskey at Kovasick's home, waived examination in Justice Nichols court Tuesday and were bound over to the circuit court.

A decree of divorce was granted Monday by Judge Collins to May Johnson, against Myron Johnson, of Owosso on grounds of cruelty.

The case of Flora Reynolds of Owosso, charged with violation of the prohibition law, went over the term. The following cases also went over; in matter of appeal from probate court in estate of Gustav Knop, deceased; E. R. Johnstone vs. Grand Trunk Railroad Co.; W. A. Spencer vs. Phillips & Taylor; Nathan E. Burris vs. Zed Earl; Sylvia Webb vs. William Boyd; and Jesse J. Wooden vs. Frank Tower, Jr.

The jury has been notified not to report until next Monday morning.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB MEETING POSTPONED FROM FARMERS WEEK

East Lansing, Jan. 13.—Crowded conditions at last year's meeting have caused the postponement of Club Week, the annual gathering of Michigan boys and girls club leaders and county champions, from Farmers' Week in February, the time at which these meetings are usually held. While no definite date for the gathering has been set, club authorities announce that it will probably be held some time in June.

"A great many people over the state are under the impression that Club Week is to be held during Farmers' Week," says Wm. A. Anderson, Assistant State Leader of Boys' and Girls Clubs. "A short conference of club leaders will be held at this time, but the big meeting, including the schools for county champions, has been postponed."

So many state agricultural associations have scheduled annual meetings for Farmers' Week, Feb. 2-6, that a record-breaking crowd is expected in East Lansing at that time, and it was feared that the youthful club members might find their gathering somewhat crowded off the boards.

Considerably more than 5,000 visitors are counted on by the M. A. C. authorities. Plans are being made for the accommodation of this crowd in private homes of Lansing and East Lansing.

FIVE PLEAD GUILTY

Pleas of guilty were entered by five men caught within the last month by the sheriff's force, when they were arraigned before Judge Collins in circuit court Friday afternoon.

The men were John Turnflow, of Cadillac; Earl Mott, Kenneth Lapont, and Alvin Peck of Durand, and Geo. Prevost of Owosso.

The first four named broke into box cars in the Grand Trunk yards at Durand and stole merchandise, including over 100 dozen pairs of silk hose. They were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Herrick, who raided their rooms in a Durand hotel and recovered the stolen property.

Prevost, with Edgar Almus, of Owosso, broke into the home of John Kimball, in Caledonia township, while the family was absent and stole silverware, a carpet, a coat, muff and other articles.

All of the men were remanded to await sentence.

Commander T. D. Harris of the U. S. Navy, was the guest of his mother two or three days the first of the week. His many friends about the city were pleased to greet him. He has for some time been on shore duty and was for many months during the war connected with the food department under Mr. Herbert Hoover.

Banks Hold Annual Elections.

The banks of this city and Cornunna held their annual meetings for the election of directors and officers Tuesday. The annual statements showed each bank to be doing a good business, larger than ever in the past, and the reports presented to the stockholders were especially gratifying, so much so that in most of the cases the directors were unanimously re-elected.

OWOSSO SAVINGS BANK.

President—Chas. E. Rigley.

Vice Presidents—C. P. Bentley, E. O. Dewey.

Cashier—A. D. Whipple.

Assistant Cashiers—W. S. Cooper, A. D. Alliton.

Directors—C. P. Bentley, J. Edwin Ellis, E. O. Dewey, A. M. Hume, Chas. E. Rigley, E. N. Thome, F. B. Woodward.

STATE SAVINGS BANK.

President—W. F. Gallagher.

Vice Presidents—T. M. Euler, A. L. Arnold.

Cashier—W. A. Rosenkrans.

Assistant Cashiers—Paul N. Oline, Kenneth Crawford.

Directors—W. F. Gallagher, T. M. Euler, L. C. Hall, A. L. Arnold, W. A. Rosenkrans, H. B. Sturtevant, A. E. Foster.

Mr. Foster was added to the directorate, making seven on the board instead of six as heretofore and the office of second assistant cashier was created and was filled by the election of Mr. Crawford, formerly an employee for ten years of the Ovid bank.

CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK.

President—R. J. Colby.

Vice Presidents—Albert Todd, A. L. Nichols.

Chairman of the Board of Directors—W. E. Hall.

Cashier—Oliver L. Davis.

Assistant Cashier—Frank Freeman.

Directors—Albert Todd, Julius Friesche, G. L. Taylor, W. E. Hall, O. L. Davis, Frank E. Bush, E. J. Colby, James Mulhall, A. L. Nichols.

Mr. Davis succeeded G. L. Taylor, resigned, as cashier, while Mr. Davis succeeds Dudley Waters of Grand Rapids, as a director. The advancement of Frank Freeman to assistant cashier attests the esteem of the board imposed in a faithful employee. G. L. Taylor, who resigned to accept a position with the Field Mfg. Co., retiring with regret on the part of the directors of the bank. His worth has long been known to the stockholders and the board, and his retirement is generally regretted by the patrons of the bank. His successor, O. L. Davis, has for a series of years been assistant cashier of the bank and his advancement to the cashiership is an honor worthily bestowed. Continued prosperity for the bank is unquestioned under Mr. Davis management.

OLD CORUNNA STATE BANK.

President—W. F. Gallagher.

Vice Presidents—W. A. Rosenkrans, T. M. Euler, G. E. Clutterbuck.

Cashier—E. T. Sidney.

Assistant Cashiers—F. W. Nothnagel, Floyd Hopkins.

Directors—W. F. Gallagher, W. A. Rosenkrans, T. M. Euler, G. E. Clutterbuck, Samuel Kerby, E. T. Sidney, J. Y. Martin.

John Y. Martin is a new member of the board of directors and becomes acting cashier during the leave of absence granted to Mr. Sidney, cashier, who is spending a well earned vacation in California and other places of interest in the west.

Ten Operations in Six Days.

If you had been at the Memorial Hospital Wednesday you would have realized the need of a hospital when there was brought in a twelve year old girl suffering with pneumonia and from a home crowded with people and the child so poor and white, her clothes so old and dirty that if left in her home surroundings probably would have died. Now she is on the road to recovery with a prospect of clean clothes and other comforts for the balance of the winter. Ten operations have been performed in the past six days and more coming every day. Did we need a hospital? And is any intelligent white man or woman sorry the supervisors voted to assist materially in helping to hurry the construction of a big place in which who knows but you'll be the first one to occupy a bed in it?—you or your relative or friend or some poor starved youngster or a person injured on the street or in the factory or on the railroad.

Mr. J. C. Osburn and daughter Jane, and son Joe, leave next week to spend several months in Hollywood, California. Mr. Osburn will join them later.

Washington Letter.

PROCRASTINATING MITCH PALMER

Press dispatches from Washington say that the Department of Justice "discovered" the anarchistic movement on April 30, 1919. If any one is interested in knowing just when the facts were disclosed he can learn by securing a copy of an address delivered by Senator Miles Poindexter on April 22, 1918, a year earlier, on the subject of "The Mooney Case and the Propaganda of Anarchy." In the course of that address, Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, since deceased, contributed a few impressive facts to the record of anarchistic disclosures. The Department took a year to wake up after it was called, and took nearly another year to become active after it woke up.

PLENTY FOR ALL BUT U. S.

The Treasury has granted \$416,000 more credit to Italy, making the total credit to the allies, \$9,647,834,000. And Herb Hoover and a few other visionaries would have us sending a few more billion to the other side of the pond while our own people suffer from over-taxation and lack of food. Japan threatens to fight the "reds" if they appear there. No years of "watchful waiting" in the land of the Mikado.

Why should any bolshevist object to being sent back to Russia at Uncle Sam's expense.

RIGHT MAKES MIGHT

"Let us have faith that right makes might; and, in that faith, let us, to the end, dare to do our duty as we understand it."—Abraham Lincoln.

Surely the Democratic party has outgrown the joke of Bryan as a Presidential candidate. He had his chance as Secretary of State, but failed so lamentably there was much relief when he retired.—San Francisco Bulletin.

Secretary Lansing in giving out his New Year's greetings said he wished that 1920 may be a Lincoln year. Well, a Lincoln year would be a Republican year, so it appears that Mr. Lansing is going to have his wish fulfilled.—Clarksburg (W. Va.) Telegram.

From Washington comes the news that "a conference on the high cost of living is planned for spring." This announcement is likely to cause some surprise to those who have heard about Attorney General Palmer's numerous statements that the government has already brought down prices and his prediction that prices will come down more after the first of the year. If all this is true, and the government is as efficient as it says itself it is, won't a high cost of living conference in the spring be rather late for its job? The public may have to be patient, but it is hardly prepared for any more of the kind of talk on the subject officials have been giving it for months.—Philadelphia Press.

SEEDING CLOVER ON SNOW SAID PRACTICAL

East Lansing, Jan. 14.—That the old practice of seeding clover on snow has much in its favor, in spite of the fact that early spring planting with a drill is held to be the ideal method, is the opinion of Prof. F. F. Cox, head of the farm crops department at the Michigan Agricultural College.

"Seeding on snow is a pretty good practice when conditions are right," says Professor Cox. "The ground must be fairly level so that heavy washes will not carry the seed off. Too deep snow is likely to cause this same thing. The farmer who is broadcasting on snow can see where he is going—a valuable item of conservation under the present high prices. Again, the snow softens hard seeds and aids germination in this way."

"We recommend early spring planting with a drill and consider this the ideal practice. The seed should be drilled into a carefully prepared seed bed—firm and thoroughly settled—and the work should be done as early in the spring as the ground is in condition."

"Broadcasting on snow, however, is undoubtedly better than late planting in the spring or ordinary broadcasting after the snow is gone. This snow planting is an old practice and one which must still be considered. Late in the winter, toward the end of the snow, is the time for the work under this method."

Public Health Notice.

Mumps, Measles, Chicken-pox and Whooping cough must be reported to the Health Officer and before children return to school after having these diseases they must get permits from the health officer. There is no charge for permits.

W. F. WARREN, Health Officer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gallagher were hosts at a dinner party at their home on Oliver street last evening. Forty guests being present. After dinner a smoker and cards were enjoyed, and before a social hour with Mr. and Mrs. B. H. and J. C. Osburn.

Farm Bureau Membership Campaign to Start Soon.

The Farm Bureau membership drive which is to be put on by the State Farm Bureau, will be under way in Shiawassee county in the week of Jan. 26. Mr. C. M. Urch of Durand, has been chosen as campaign manager for the county and reports a very active interest in the campaign by farmers in every part of the county. According to Mr. Urch, "The object of the Michigan State Farm Bureau is the promotion of Agriculture. To cooperate with the Department of Agriculture and Extension Department of the Michigan Agricultural College, not alone for production but for a more economical production and distribution of all farm crops."

To assist the farmer in getting better marketing and transportation facilities and solve the distribution problems. To get in closer relationship and understanding with the consumer; assisting in the correction of a great many evils that now exist between the point of production and ultimate consumption of the food products raised on the farm.

To assist in promoting better educational methods for our rural districts.

In a political way to deal with measures and policies rather than men; insist on a fair and just hearing on all bills relating to agriculture and its development; in fact, to obtain Justice and Square Deal through organized cooperative effort and a united stand for our rights."

The solicitors in other counties have signed up over 80 per cent of all the farmers in the twelve counties canvassed. Over 20,000 members have been enrolled. Out of one hundred thirty-three farmers in one township in St. Clair county exactly one hundred and thirty of them joined the Farm Bureau movement. Similar results are being obtained in all counties of the state. Mr. Urch is confident that as large a percentage of the farmers of Shiawassee county will line up with the movement as in any other county in the state.

The campaign will last in this county approximately ten days. The first township to be canvassed will be Durand and Perry. A schedule for the remainder of the county has not yet worked out definitely as yet.

Permitted to Become Citizens.

At a session of the circuit court Monday citizenship was granted to Frank Spaniol of Chicago, Chris and William Kilius, Charles William and Gustav Frederick, all of Owosso; A. H. Moulton, Corunna; Frank Kneve, William Trenkas, John N. Kline, Oskara Salemi, John A. Palmer, A. Widon, Owosso. The last two named served in the army and their discharge papers took the place of their first papers.

Petitions of George Hudecut, Simon Pipi, and Frank Hain, were held up because of their lack of knowledge of the government. N. Fainberg of Owosso was denied citizenship being considered a "slacker."

School House Damaged by Fire.

The interior of the frame building at Oliver and Dewey streets, used as an annex to the Emerson school building, was virtually wrecked by fire Thursday. As a result over 100 school children are enjoying an unexpected vacation, and half day session will be resorted to beginning with Monday, at the Emerson. The building damaged was bought last summer and about \$2000 was spent in remodeling it for a school building. It is estimated that it would cost at least \$1,000 and probably more to put it in shape for school purposes again. The building was insured for \$1,500.

Clark Ring and M. N. Brady, prominent and enterprising citizens of Saginaw, were in the city for a short time Tuesday forenoon en route to Lansing. Both these gentlemen are among the leaders of the undertaking to secure a sufficient fund to warrant the erection of a fund for a hospital in Saginaw, costing million or a million and a half of dollars. As these gentlemen never learned the meaning of the word "failure" the success of the attempt is an assured fact and within a couple of years a splendid new hospital is sure to grace the city.

William D. Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hart, Oliver St. has been designated by Congressman E. F. Brien to take the examination in April next for admission to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, and his friends all wish him success as he leaves in a day or two to enter a preparatory school at Annapolis. His father's ill company and they will go via Washington for a few days visit at the capital.